

## SENATE BILL No. 330

### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 6-1.1-35-1.1; IC 6-1.1-35.5-4.

**Synopsis:** Assessors qualifications and examinations. Requires the department of local government finance to enforce the forfeiture of office by an assessor who fails to attain an assessor-appraiser certification, and to provide an appeal process for the certification examination. Suspends the forfeiture of office pending completion of an appeal.

**Effective:** July 1, 2004.

**Mrvan**

January 12, 2004, read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 6-1.1-35-1.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2004,  
2       SECTION 42, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3       JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 1.1. (a) Each county assessor and each elected  
4       assessor who has not attained the certification of a "level two"  
5       assessor-appraiser under IC 6-1.1-35.5 must employ at least one (1)  
6       certified "level two" assessor-appraiser.

7       (b) Each elected county assessor, township assessor, or elected  
8       trustee-assessor must:

9           (1) attain the certification of a "level one" assessor-appraiser  
10          within one (1) year after taking office; and

11          (2) attain the certification of a "level two" assessor-appraiser  
12          within two (2) years after taking office.

13       An assessor or trustee-assessor who does not comply with this  
14       subsection forfeits the assessor's or trustee-assessor's office. **The office**  
15       **forfeiture is suspended pending completion of an appeal under**  
16       **IC 6-1.1-35.5-4(d)(3).**

17       (c) A county assessor, township assessor, or trustee-assessor

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appointed to fill a vacancy resulting from a forfeiture of office under subsection (b) is subject to the requirements of subsection (b).

**(d) The department of local government finance:**

**(1) shall enforce subsection (b); and**

**(2) may file an information under IC 34-17 for judgment of ouster of an assessor or trustee-assessor who forfeits office under subsection (b).**

SECTION 2. IC 6-1.1-35.5-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2004, SECTION 44, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 4. (a) The level one examination shall be given in July, and the level two examination shall be given in August. Both level examinations also shall be offered annually immediately following the conference of the department of local government finance and at any other times that coordinate with training sessions conducted under IC 6-1.1-35.2-2. The department of local government finance may also give either or both examinations at other times throughout the year.

(b) Examinations shall be held each year, at the times prescribed in subsection (a), in Indianapolis and at not less than four (4) other convenient locations chosen by the department of local government finance.

(c) The department of local government finance may not limit the number of individuals who take the examination and shall provide an opportunity for all enrollees at each session to take the examination at that session.

(d) The department of local government finance shall:

(1) give: ~~both~~

**(A) the level one examination; and**

**(B) the level two examination;**

in an open book format; ~~and~~

(2) design both examinations to approximate the work an assessing official is required to perform, including the use of appropriate computer applications; **and**

**(3) provide for an appeal process for both examinations.**

SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004] **IC 6-1.1-35-1.1, as amended by this act, applies only to a county assessor, township assessor, or township trustee-assessor elected to a new term of office that begins after June 30, 2004.**

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